

Before the  
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Washington, D.C.

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<b>In the matter of</b>	)	<b>CONSOLIDATED DOCKET</b>
	)	<b>NO. 16-CRB-0009-CD (2014-17)</b>
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<b>DISTRIBUTION OF CABLE AND</b>	)	<b>CONSOLIDATED DOCKET</b>
	)	<b>NO. 16-CRB-0010-SD (2014-17)</b>
<b>SATELLITE ROYALTY FUNDS</b>	)	
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**COMMENTS OF THE JOINT SPORTS CLAIMANTS  
ON THE EXISTENCE AND EXTENT OF CONTROVERSIES**

The Office of the Commissioner of Baseball, National Basketball Association, National Football League, National Collegiate Athletic Association, National Hockey League, and Women's National Basketball Association (collectively "Joint Sports Claimants" or "JSC") submit the following response to the Notice published at 83 Fed. Reg. 56106 (Nov. 9, 2018) ("Notice"). The Notice seeks comments regarding "whether controversies exist among claimants relating to distribution of the cable and satellite television retransmission royalty funds deposited with the U.S. Copyright Office for royalty years 2014 through 2017." Notice at 56106.

A Phase I controversy currently exists as to the share of 2014-17 cable and satellite royalty funds that should be allocated to each Phase I category. With respect to the existence of Phase II controversies, there are no such controversies among or between JSC and any of its members regarding the 2014-17 cable royalty fund or the 2014-17 satellite royalty fund. JSC do not have an agreement with any non-JSC parties that may assert a claim to 2014-17 sports royalties.

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